Maximizing the Utilization of Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act Funding

The Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) program was created by the Crime Prevention Act of 2000 to provide a stable funding source for local juvenile justice programs aimed at reducing crime and delinquency among at-risk youth. Over the past four years, Los Angeles County's (County) allocation of these resources has averaged \$28.1 million annually. Some of the services that have been funded include mental health screenings and treatment, youth substance abuse intervention, after-school enrichment, school-based supervision, housing-based supervision, and a Special Needs Court.

The vast majority of the County's annual allocation has been expended each year. However, information recently provided by the Probation Department indicates that an estimated \$21.7 million in savings has accumulated since fiscal year 2010-11. The availability of these resources would provide the County with an opportunity to provide targeted resources on a one-time basis for at-risk youth, juvenile offenders, and their families.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Instruct the Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Chief Probation Officer to work with the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) and any other requisite parties to report back within 21 days with an amended spending plan that allows for the immediate allocation of \$1 million to fund critical programs and services delivered by community-based organizations in each supervisorial district.

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